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Members of the Livingston County Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H baking class are shown with some of the Christmas cookies they made to spread some holiday cheer earlier this month.

## 4-H baking class delivers an extra Merry Christmas

Members of the Livingston County Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H baking class learned how to bake, everything from pies to Christmas cookies.

On Dec. 11, the class teamed with the women's group at Groveland Federated Parish to bake Christmas treats. The effort resulted in 40 boxes of cookies and

fruit that was handed out to people who needed a little "extra Merry Christmas."

The participants also wrote out 40 Christmas cards to retired veterans in Livingston County retired veterans.

And in the end who showed but the big man himself Santa Claus.



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From left, Livingston County 4-H Educator Renee Hopkins, Megan Coty, Youth Development Program Coordinator Jenn Schwab, and Youth Development Team Leader Mark Wittmeyer.

## Megan Coty is 4-H 'Volunteer of the Year'

**SPECIAL TO THE LCN**  
Megan Coty has been named the 2021 Livingston County 4-H Volunteer of the Year. The award is presented annually to a volunteer who has made a significant positive impact on 4-H youth through their outstanding commitment and service to the 4-H Program.

Megan has been a 4-H volunteer for five years and has blossomed into an exceptional club leader, according to 4-H officials.

She became involved in 4-H when her oldest child joined a 4-H club as a Cloverbud. Although she didn't

know a lot about 4-H or how a 4-H club functioned, she happily helped out wherever needed as a parent helper/club volunteer.

During the next three years, Megan learned how to run a club, provide interest-based activities for members, and how to support and encourage youth to do their very best! She eventually felt confident and empowered enough to start her own 4-H club - and has since helped grow the 4-H program by bringing in new families.

Megan's 4-H club not only persevered through the chal-

lenges of COVID but even prospered. Her club continued to meet regularly following - and tolerating - all COVID protocols. Club members continued to participate in county events such as Produced in New York, public presentations, activity nights and fairs, both in-person and remotely. COVID did not deter her club from being as active and engaged in 4-H as possible. This is a clear reflection on her leadership, passion for 4-H, and commitment to her club members, 4-H officials said.

"Megan has grown into

a model 4-H Club leader and a great asset to our 4-H Program," said 4-H Youth Development Team Leader Mark Wittmeyer. "When working with youth, her focus is always on positive youth development... always helping youth reach their full potential. We are happy to recognize Megan for all she has contributed to the 4-H Program."

To learn more about becoming a volunteer with the Livingston County 4-H Program, contact the CCE Livingston County office at (585) 991-5420 or (585) 335-1752.

## 4-H LIVESTOCK

### 2 receive scholarships

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The Livingston County 4-H Program has awarded Alyssa Healy and Brady Wood livestock project scholarships from the Bank of Castile.

Alyssa, a six-year member of Livingston County 4-H, was awarded \$100, which will help Alyssa purchase her 4-H sheep project animal for the upcoming year.

She has previously completed projects in the sheep, teen leadership, arts and crafts, clothing and textiles, gardening, nutrition and wood science project areas. Alyssa has also participated in the Livingston County 4-H Program Public Presentations Contest and Produced in New York food demonstrations.

Brady, a seven-year member of Livingston County 4-H, was also awarded \$100. The scholarship will help Brady purchase his 4-H swine project animal for the

upcoming year.

He has previously completed projects in the beef cattle, poultry, swine, nutrition, photography, and arts and crafts project areas. Brady has also participated in the Livingston County 4-H Program Public Presentations contest.

4-H livestock projects present 4-H youth with a hands-on opportunity to gain knowledge and life skills that are critical in the personal development of young people.

# LCN – MASTER GARDENER COLUMN

## Autumn is a poetic season

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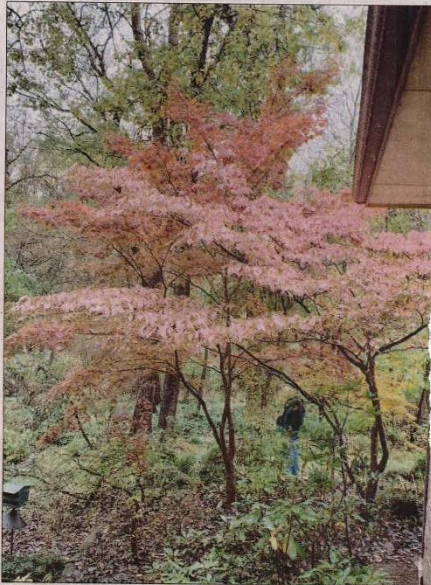
*This Autumn, let something die. A worry, a relationship, a project that has run its course. Let go of anxiety over the future. Let go of guilt. Let go of other people's dreams for you. Let go of the fear that happiness or success or love or joyfulness somehow isn't for you. Let go of feeling unwanted. Go outside, can you feel how deeply your presence is craved here? Let go of the small and burdensome things. Gifts never opened. Keys without a lock. Broken earrings, old love letters, the ephemeria on your fridge. Anything or anyone that does not bring you alive is too small for you." This Autumn, let go of all the clothes you have outgrown. Let go of comparison. Let go of doubt. Let go of the feeling that you are somehow not good enough. Because every imperfect apple that lays soft in your hands, and every ray of low Autumn sunlight that warms you through woollens will tell you a different story, a much truer story. The story that you are more, much more, than enough. That you bless this world simply by being alive.*

—Anonymous

I recently received this poem from a gardening friend on Facebook. I don't read a lot of poetry, but sometimes a poem will capture feelings better than any narrative form. This poem connected with my emotions, and also was enjoyed by my Facebook friends.

Fall is a bittersweet time: the beauty of nature surrounds us, yet beneath it we know that winter is coming. Changing clocks and the sun cycle make the dark evenings after dinner longer, with more time to fill before bed.

We gradually spend more



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time in the warm indoors. As much as I enjoy gardening, I welcome the respite and change of pace. Holiday lights will soon fill the darkness, bringing a different kind of joy, with numerous festive occasions.

The shortest days are in December, but January seems darker after holiday lights have been packed away. I call January the month of peace. I try to write down ideas for the upcoming year throughout the gardening season, but this first month of the year is when my actual decisions are being made. New catalogs arrive daily, and a wealth of information about plants is available in books, magazines and internet.

A garden doesn't need to be bigger to be better. Maybe a

path or a large stone could fill a difficult space instead of plants. Now is the time to take photos of your garden, to study as your decisions are made in winter. Make your garden into space for you to enjoy. Don't worry about what others may think; you certainly will spend far more time in your garden than anyone else. As you spend more time in your garden, the plants will receive the care they need.

Perhaps the concept of a low maintenance garden is given too much attention. Spending time outdoors can nurture our souls, and our gardens will thrive.

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**Newer varieties of coleus are more sun tolerant, and more vigorous than older varieties.**



**Coleus plants similar to this photo are being improved, with better sun tolerance and more vigorous growth.**

## New year brings resolutions for the garden, too

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Now that the new year is arriving, it may be a good time to start planning some improvements for the garden season. I don't keep a garden diary, but I do have a place on my iPad where I try to write down ideas for the following year.

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November. I finally took them out in December, blossoms and all, because I thought they wouldn't complement Christmas Decorations.

Another successful new-to-me annual I grew in the entrance garden at Wadsworth Library was a yellow Nicotiana "Lime Green," flowering tobacco. This is an heirloom plant which germinated easily from seed indoors. I purchased the seeds from the Select Seeds catalog. The catalog description says it self-seeds, so perhaps we will enjoy it again in the upcoming year. Nicotians can be a large plant, this one didn't grow over four feet tall. The leaves were huge, and the trumpet-shaped blossoms also lasted through Thanksgiving. In my back yard, the deer never touched these blossoms.

I've also been reading about the newer sun-loving coleus plants. You can see a lot of varieties with a Google Search, "Plant Trials 2021

coleus" (or whatever plant you want) to learn about the latest varieties. I believe it often takes a couple of years for new plants to become widely available at garden centers, and significantly longer for seeds for these plants to appear in catalogs, so you might have to search an earlier year to find plants that might be purchased this upcoming year. On the Penn State web site, Coleus "Spafire" and Color Blaze "El Bright" were two of the highest rated plants. These newer coleus are larger, more durable and more expensive than the ones commonly sold in a six-pack.

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## Understanding anemones

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Year-round, I sometimes comment that my favorite season is the one that's arriving. But if I had to pick one, perhaps fall would be it.

This year, I'm especially not missing the humidity that accompanied the frequent rain, and the mosquitoes that arrived with those conditions. Now I can work outside more comfortably in my pants, long sleeves and a new mosquito net over my sun hat.

My Japanese anemones are completing this year, blooming from mid-August through September. The sky often doesn't provide as much water as they would prefer, but this year they are very happy. In my garden which abuts our back property line, they can spread as much as they want.

My back border is most often viewed at a distance, so I include big plants that won't get lost. Penstemon are the backbone of this garden, a couple with attractive fall foliage. I grow several varieties of these, to extend their bloom time. This year there were no bloom gaps in mid-summer: balloon flowers, joy feather and brilliant red Crocosmia supplemented the coneflowers in the far back of the border. Even though the anemones are not native, I observe bees constantly feeding on these wide-open flowers, which are easy for bees to access. This plant has been growing in that corner since the late 1970s.

There are several plants that use the name anemone. In addition to the Japanese one, there is a spring-blooming bulb hardy enough to grow here, anemone blanda. Since it is a small corn, it should be mulched to prevent it from being heaved out of the ground during a winter thaw. It may be available from fall bulb suppliers now for planting, though I've read that some bulbs are in short supply this year.

Anemone sylvestris, sometimes called snowdrop windflower, blooms in early spring

with white flowers. It can be quite aggressive in moist conditions. Anemone quinquefolia, also called American wood anemone, is native to North America, also has white flowers and can spread aggressively. I inherited this latter plant when we purchased our current property, but removed it as it checked out some desired plants.

All of these anemones are also called windflowers, so it can be confusing. In addition, there are a couple of attractive anemones that are not winter hardy here, including anemones De Cano and Patens. These tender plants are sometimes sold as annuals in colder climates.

My New York Aster, which is 2 feet tall, has just started to bloom. While I've had it a few years, I've moved it a



**Japanese anemones have been captivating this year, blooming from mid-August.**

couple of times, searching for the right balance between sun and moisture. The ones in the fields seem so care-free, but I've struggled to succeed with this plant in my garden. A fuchsia colored ox-eye plant spreading happily in the shady back corner, is one of the last to start blooming.

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## Many variables with late fall planting

It seems I am reading more this year about planting in late fall, the season that is upon us. Fall has always been an optimal time for putting in plants with large root systems such as trees and shrubs, and the only time that peonies can be successfully transplanted and divided. Bulbs can also be planted up until the ground freezes. If not planted until November/December, some bulbs may take an extra year to thrive, since their blooms can depend on nourishing fall root growth.

But now there are more people writing that many plants can be successfully planted up until the ground freezes, usually around Dec. 1 in our area. As with so many things in life, it all depends...

It's important to distinguish between planting and transplanting, terms that sometimes are used interchangeably. Transplanting occurs when a plant is dug out of the ground, and planted in a new location. While a large plant is out of the ground, it also can be divided. During these processes, a lot of damage may be done to the root systems. Some less durable perennial plants need time to grow some new roots in order to survive the winter. Many plants are best transplanted in the spring. Some plants purchased in pots are quite root-bound. Those roots need to be untangled or perhaps trimmed back in order for the plant to establish the best in-ground root system. A plant like this also would best be planted in spring.

Planting describes putting a plant into a hole in the ground, covering those roots with soil, and providing ample water to make sure the soil settles around all of

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the roots. This can be done with a potted plant or one that is being transplanted. What gets confusing is when I read claims that most plants can be successfully planted or transplanted in the fall. I don't believe that's true for many perennials with damaged root systems.

Another variable in this conversation is timing. Plants with damaged root systems

will survive the winter more successfully if planted in early September than if planted in November.

Some plants are so durable that it can be difficult to kill them. Daylilies, hostas and coneflowers would be in this category. In mid-October I worked with friends to plant some basic landscaping for a Habitat for Humanity house using durable plants. I have also recently put a number of plants in the ground that had spent the summer in pots on my patio.

Chrysanthemums and ornamental grasses are examples of plants that often do not transplant successfully in fall, especially November.

If you are not planting, perhaps garden clean-up is on your task list. I keep the rules simple: if the plant stems will remain standing

for the winter, leave it until spring. Use chopped leaves for mulch in your gardens to surround (but not in top of) your plants. Remove stems and leaves from herbaceous peonies and other plants that will flatten after a hard freeze.

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## Gifts to make garden work easier

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It's that time of year, with ringing bells and holiday tunes in your ears. I usually try to share some ideas for the proverbial question: what do gardeners want for a gift?

I regularly try to write about my tools, which make my work easier, but I feel like I haven't mentioned my rake in quite some time. It's a wonder: light-weight, with adjustable width and handle length. This makes it so easy to take to the furthest corners of my yard, or even on a car ride to one of my public garden sites.

I've mentioned several times over the years that I mow far more leaves than I rake, but raking is always needed for nooks and crannies during the fall "leaf harvest", and for cleaning up weeds and trimmings throughout the gardening season. On a day when I am likely to be working (intermittently) outside throughout the day, I toss it into my garden cart so I have it handy wherever I roam.

I wore out one of these rakes, but easily found another at Gardescape. This event is scheduled to return to the Dome Arena in 2022, March 10 to 13. The theme is, "Carnival of Colors," which sounds enticing already.

I am also excited about mowing my leaves next fall with the new cordless electric mower I've asked Santa to bring. I currently use an electric mower with a cord for leaves, but the cord is a real pain. Previously I had read that cordless electric mowers weren't powerful enough to mow leaves, but a gardening friend on Facebook, @Gardener Sue's News, recently mentioned how happy she was with hers.

I've put in my request for a



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mower like Sue's, a Kobalt 80 volt mower with a 6 amp battery, available from Lowe's. It's even on sale right now, so maybe Santa will get a good deal.

I have nearly finished mowing this year's leaves, and it has seemed like I spend as much time and energy moving the cord around as I do actually mowing. This model is self-propelled, so it will help me push as the mower bag gets heavy.

Another tool I've purchased this year is a cordless reciprocating saw for pruning. It has two blades, which move

in opposite directions as they cut. It does cut quickly, but the movement of the blades causes the branch I'm cutting to jiggle, reducing efficiency unless I use my other hand to stabilize it. I'm often reaching inside the shrub for pruning cuts, so using both hands isn't always possible. Still, it is useful, just not as much as I'd hoped. I'm more likely to continue using my long-handled Japanese saw for these cuts inside my shrubs.

Another garden writer mentioned a cordless hand pruner that she liked. I hadn't previously noticed this piece

of equipment. I'm pretty happy with my ratcheting pruner, and my Fiscars pruner and loper, which amplify my strength through a gear mechanism.

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## How to harvest all kinds of seeds from your gardens

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Now and through the fall season is the opportunity window to harvest seeds for next year. Seeds are mature and ready for harvesting when the flower or vegetable looks "spent," or past its prime. Seedheads will be ready after a flower is fully dried. The seeds will generally turn dark brown or black, and often the petals will fall off. On some plants the seeds may fall to the ground, but most often they are held in some kind of capsule.

Some capsules may burst open when you touch them. You can capture these seeds by carefully placing a paper lunch bag over the stem, then cutting the stem off so the seed pod is inside the bag. Sometimes find it easier to cut off entire flower heads, and keep flower heads of the same variety in this bag to finish drying.

I write the name of the plant on the top edge of the bag, so I don't get the various kinds of seeds mixed up. Often I wait until winter to separate the seeds from the flower heads or capsule.

Once I have cleaned the seeds, I put them in a paper envelope.

Plastic bags are not suitable for storing seeds because often there is some moisture remaining in the seeds, and if placed in plastic they may spoil.

The time to harvest vegetable seeds will be just past the mature edible stage. They should be harvested just before they begin to spoil if they are root, leaf, or squash.

Most vegetable seeds need to soon be separated from the material that holds them, so they can dry out. Peas and beans can be left to dry in the garden.

Primarily I save flower seeds.

Seeds from marigolds, zinnias, cosmos and many other varieties can be saved, and will be identical to the plants grown this year. Flowers from perennial flowering plants can also be saved, but they often are more difficult to grow, so I wouldn't recommend them for anyone just starting out with saving seeds.

If you want your plant seeds



This seedhead was cut from this *Magnolia zinnia*. Seeds from zinnias can be saved and will be identical to the plants grown this year.

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which you wish to save seeds is open-pollinated, you can do a Google search to find this information.

I prefer purchasing hybrid vegetable seeds because they generally are more productive and more disease resistant.

But people enjoy growing some older varieties, and being able to save some seeds for the upcoming year. Seed libraries are available in some areas to encourage this practice.

Seed library being considered in Seneca



The seedhead in this *Zahara zinnia* is hidden by newer growths.

In order to have seeds to give away, we need people to



The lacy foliage of *Artemisia Powis Castle* provide contrast for all other garden colors.



*Euphorbia Bonfire* is deer resistant and requires no care through the season. It is a great groundcover.

## Fall garden displays can be spectacular

As the weeks pass and temperatures cool, I continue to enjoy many colors in my garden and in other gardens I visit. We recently enjoyed a vacation along the shores of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and the garden colors were spectacular.

I'm not one to rush out to buy the newest plants. There are so many plants already available, some that I haven't even grown yet. As we move into October, you may want to notice plants that will look beautiful up until a hard freeze, perhaps around Thanksgiving. It's getting late for planting this season, but it's a perfect time for starting next year's shopping list. It seems that some gardeners focus on the spring and summer season, overlooking the opportunity for a nice fall display.

The pansies hydrangeas are magnificent at this time of year. While some still are showing good color, it will fade. Still, they look great covered with snow, and

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remain attractive through most of the winter season. A friend of mine is growing a variety of these called Vanilla Strawberry, if you are looking for an attractive larger specimen with white and red blossoms. It grows up to 8 feet tall and 5 feet wide. Strawberry Sundae is similar but only grows to 5 feet tall.

Montauk Daisies were just starting to bloom on the New England coast. This is a less common, very durable plant with flower stems that emerge from a woody base. The white daisy flowers cut beautifully, though I enjoy

their long-lasting beauty in the garden. The grow best in fast-draining soil in full sun, without supplemental water.

If you are now removing some "spent" annuals that are past their prime, you could replace them with winter pansies or snap dragons. Both of these plants will tolerate frost, and the pansies will grow back in the spring for an early display. I have also seen snap dragons survive the winter, but they may have been planted earlier in the season.

Calceolula is another annual that will survive frost. The ones I planted in a mostly shaded spot bloomed sparsely during the summer, but are blooming more now that weather has cooled. Once leaves begin to fall, they will receive more sun, so I am hoping for a late burst of color.

Artemisia is a group of often-weedy plants with silver-gray leaves. *Artemisia Powis Castle* is the only one I like. Its lacy foliage provide contrast for all other garden

colors. I planted three pots fairly close together to form a shrub-like presence in my back garden. It tolerates frost without flinching, providing beauty when most other plants in my have gone dormant. It requires full sun, and only needs to be cut back to the ground in spring.

Finally, *Euphorbia Bonfire* was a great groundcover I noticed in a New England garden. Commonly called cushion spurge, I have several of these plants, but not this variety. It is deer resistant and requires no care through the season. The yellow blossoms in spring contrast beautifully with this colorful foliage.

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## Garden soil benefits from chopped leaves

This is the time of year I read reminders about planting a cover crop in my vegetable garden, to improve my soil for next year. I consider it, then decide I don't have enough available space to make it worthwhile. I would need to plant cover crop seeds and keep them watered regularly for at least a month. This year, I didn't plant much in my vegetable garden area: a row of edible pod peas, a couple of tomato plants, Swiss chard, and a few annual flowers. Most of the bed remained covered with last fall's chopped leaves. Maybe this should finally be a cover crop year, I thought.

The good news is, the soil is looking great! I discovered this when I dug out a couple of weeds. I believe I don't need a cover crop, though I should verify this with a soil test. The unplanted area of my vegetable garden was kept covered by a thick layer of mulched leaves from last fall. The leaves, which keep the soil moist, also provide fuel for the decomposition process, attracting soil organisms and enabling develop-

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ment of soil communities. It's the decomposition process of composting, rather than the end product of compost, that improves the soil. I will need to add nitrogen in the spring, but the texture, which impacts the soil's ability to hold moisture and enable roots to penetrate, has been vastly improved.

Nitrogen almost always needs to be added to gardens, because it dissipates more rapidly than other soil nutrients. Compost only contains significant nitrogen if it is made with manure.

Cover crops and chopped leaves are equally effective in improving soil, according

to an article I found online, utilizing multiple references from land grant colleges: <https://tinyurl.com/23n268b3>.

In addition to improving the soil, a thick layer of mulched leaves prevents weed seeds from germinating, making it much easier to plant in the spring.

Some gardeners hesitate to use leaves like this because they imagine the leaves won't stay put, and will get blown all over their yard again. I've found that my chopped leaves, sucked into my mower bag, then compacted into a garbage can before spreading, stay in place quite well. I have perennials surrounding my vegetable garden, all inside a fence that keeps out deer and other critters, and they are not damaged at all by the few leaves that the wind moves a bit.

Planting a cover crop is an important practice for farmers and others with farms and

very large gardens. Home gardeners with access to chopped leaves would be wise to use this resource for improving their soil.

As the gardening season wanes, chopped leaves can be used to cover each area where produce has been harvested, working to improve the soil for the upcoming year. Chopped leaves can also be used to improve the soil in areas planted with annual flowers, and spaces without plants in perennial beds. Bird netting, anchored with earth staples, can be used to hold the leaves in place.

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## Christmas comes early with blooming cactus

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Christmas flowers for indoor use are now available in abundance. The poinsettia is likely the first to come to mind, but what about the Christmas Cactus? It is a much more durable plant, and makes a great, undemanding houseplant. People often keep this growing for years. It holds great memories for me because my mother-in-law had a large one that bloomed profusely for years.

This plant isn't actually a cactus, requiring more water than most cacti and other succulents. It's not a plant you can forget to water for weeks on end. It also doesn't do well in moist soil. Fast-draining soil sold for cacti and other succulents is best.

There are actually three groups of this type of plant. Thanksgiving (Schlumbergera truncata), with sharply pointed "teeth" on the stems, Christmas (Schlumbergera x buckleyi), with less pointed tips, and Easter cactus (Schlumbergera gaumeri), with rounded tips and more beaded growth on the end of its leaves.

The Easter Cactus produces flowers that are different from the other two varieties, with more but smaller petals and not as layered.

This year, I was able to enjoy a large profusely blooming plant of this type. It was given to me in August by a friend-of-a-friend in Mt. Morris, who no longer wished to care for it. She said it hadn't bloomed much recently, so I figured it was probably due for re-potting.

After adding some slow-release fertilizer and watering it in thoroughly, I kept it outside in the shade. I didn't water it often because large pots take longer to dry out.

In September as the weather cooled I noticed tiny buds forming on the tips, so I brought it indoors.



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The Christmas Cactus is much more durable than the poinsettia and makes a great, undemanding houseplant. People often keep this growing for years.

As the buds grew, I was astonished to see as many as four buds forming on one tip. It is actually two plants, one pink and one red. Buds are induced by the shortening days and cooler temperatures. If you grow this indoors, you may need to move it to a cooler room as the days cool to promote new buds. My mother-in-law kept hers in a spare bedroom, where she rarely turned on the light at night.

When I've grown this plant in the past, the buds often fell off when I brought it indoors. I think I waited too long to bring it inside, and the shock of changing environments caused the buds to drop. So this year I brought it in sooner. I did have a problem with buds dropping after around seven weeks of blooming. Maybe it had just bloomed itself out. Or maybe it was the cold draft from the near-by door.

My plant was in full bloom for most of October, into November. Yet, it's leaves have the sharp pointed tips of a Christmas Cactus. As you may have experienced, the bloom time sometimes seems difficult to predict. Keeping my plant

indoors and/or the repotting with complete change of soil perhaps promoted the earlier bloom.

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## 4-H CHARITY ANIMAL PROGRAM BENEFITS THREE ORGANIZATIONS

BY SUN STAFF



Three Livingston County 4-H members participated in the Charity Animal Program and donated the proceeds from their 4-H Market Animal Project to charitable organizations. The

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# GENESEE COUNTRY EXPRESS

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NEWS

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#### From news reports

Published 12:28 p.m., ET Oct. 12, 2021

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Published 10:14 p.m. ET Dec. 15, 2021

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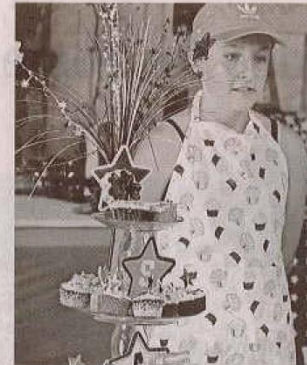
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Lily Sharp during the Cupcake Showdown. PROVIDED

Madelyn Mulvaney, Drake Orr, Claire Paul, Katie Paul, Lucille Sexton, Ella Sexton, Lily Sharp, Onnolee Shutt, Emi-

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The following Cloverbuds, the youngest participants, were also selected for State Fair: Isabelle Bowser, Iva Christiano, Anna Cotter, Madelyn Coty, Tucker Drum, Lenore Dumuhosky, Nathalie Gelb, Caleb Halbert, Kollin Harvey, Kyle Harvey, Gianna Maldonado, Aryia Marcellus, Elizabeth Mensinger, Clyde Orr, Camden Sharp, and Alexis Welsby.

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The Bank of Castile annually commits scholarship money to deserving Livingston County 4-H members to help with the purchase of a 4-H beef, swine, or lamb project animal. The application process includes four parts: 1.) an essay explaining why the applicant is interest-

ed in the project; 2.) a recommendation; 3.) a knowledge test about the livestock industry, careers in agriculture, animal nutrition, genetics, showing, and grooming; and 4.) an interview with the selection committee.

Brady, a nine-year member of Livingston County 4-H, was awarded a Bank of Castile Beef Scholarship in the amount of \$500. The scholarship will help Brady purchase his 4-H beef project animal for the upcoming year.

He has previously completed projects in the beef, swine, market poultry, and arts and crafts project areas. Brady has also participated in the Livingston County 4-H Program Public Presentations contest.

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## 4-H

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4-H livestock projects present 4-H youth with a hands-on opportunity to gain valuable knowledge and life skills that are critical in the personal development of young people. Not only do they have the responsibility of caring for their project animal, but they also learn valuable business lessons such as financial record keeping, marketing and communication skills associated with selling their project animal, and providing a high quality food product to consumers.

The Livingston County 4-H Livestock Scholarship Program provides deserving youth with an opportunity to raise and show a market animal that they may not, otherwise, have been able to buy. This shows a true commitment to agriculture and the 4-H Youth Development Program in Livingston County.

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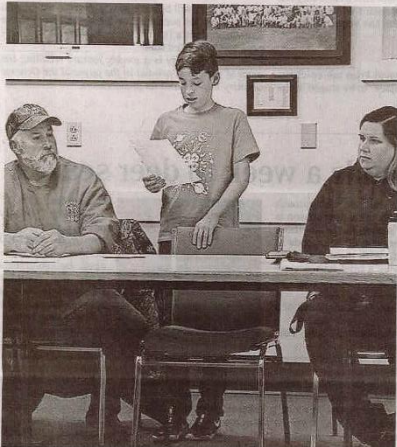
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## Livingston County 4-H names Megan Coty Volunteer of the Year

From News Reports

Megan Coty has been named the 2021 Livingston County 4-H Volunteer of the Year. The award is presented annually to a volunteer who has made a significant positive impact on 4-H youth through their outstanding commitment and service to the 4-H Program.

Megan has been a 4-H volunteer for five years and has blossomed into an exceptional club leader. She became involved in 4-H when her oldest child joined a 4-H club as a Cloverbud. Although she didn't know a lot about 4-H or how a 4-H club functioned, she happily helped out wherever needed as a parent helper/club volunteer. Over the next three years, Megan learned how to run a club, provide interest-based activities for members, and how to support and encourage youth to do their very best! She eventually felt confident and empowered enough to start her own 4-H club - and has since helped grow the 4-H program by bringing in new families.

Megan's 4-H club not only persevered through the challenges of COVID but even prospered. Her club continued to meet regularly following all COVID protocols. Club members continued to participate in county events like PINY, Public Presentations, activity nights and fair both in-person and remotely. COVID did not deter her club from being as active and engaged in 4-H as possible. This is a clear reflection on her leadership, passion for 4-H, and commitment to her club members.

4-H Youth Development Team Leader Mark Wittmeyer said, "Megan has grown into a model 4-H Club Leader and a great asset to our 4-H Program! When working with youth, her focus is always on positive youth development...always helping youth reach their full potential. We are happy to recognize Megan for all she has contributed to the 4-H Program."

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From left to right: 4-H Educator Renee Hopkins, Megan Coty, Youth Development Program Coordinator Jenn Schwab, & Youth Development Team Leader Mark Wittmeyer. PROVIDED BY 4H

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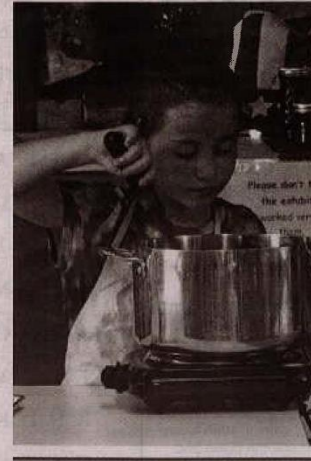
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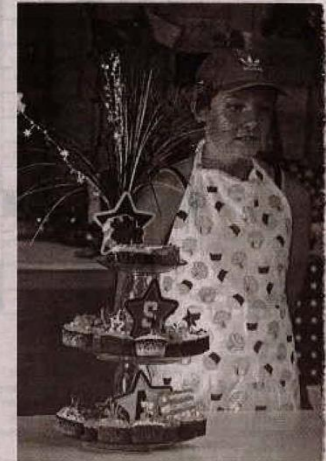
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## 4-H Charity Animal Program benefits three organizations

Three Livingston County 4-H members participated in the Charity Animal Program and donated the proceeds from their 4-H Market Animal Project to charitable organizations. The market animals were auctioned as part of the 4-H Livestock Auction at the Hemlock Fairgrounds.

Carly Lung and Michaela Bugman each sold a pen of two market birds during this year's auction. Genesec Construction Inc. purchased Carly's birds for \$700 while Bugman & Sons Inc. purchased Michaela's birds for \$1,200. After the sale, Carly and Michaela chose to donate their proceeds to the Golisano Children's

Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and Sally & the Ladies in Pink, respectively.

Lynn Stevens also sold her market hog during this year's event. Sveyers Dairy Farm purchased the hog for \$1,514.50. The proceeds from the sale benefited the CCE Livingston County Agriculture in the Classroom Program.

This project is not only about how 4-H'ers use the proceeds from their project animal, but the learning process and skill development that takes place throughout the duration of the project. For a minimum of four months, 4-H youth take care of their animals every day. Members also have to complete project records as well as market their project animals to potential buyers.

"We are pleased to have three outstanding participants in this year's Charity Animal Program," said Youth Development Team Leader Mark Wiltmeyer.

"These young adults truly exemplify what it means to care about and help your community. They have learned at a young age that it is very gratifying to give to organizations that help those in need."

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Carly Lung sold a pen of two market birds during this year's auction for \$700. Photos courtesy of Livingston County CCE



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Buyer: Stephen Werner



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Buyer: Genesee Construction, Inc.



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